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E.O. 11652: GDS

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SUBJECT: CURRENT DEVELOPMENTS IN TUNISIA

REF: TUNIS 5872, 5857, 5848

1. NO CHANGE IN LOCAL SECURITY SITUATION SINCE PREVIOUS CABLES (SEE REFTELS). LOCAL NEWS MEDIA CONTINUE GIVE FULL ATTENTION TO WAR DEVELOPMENTS DRAWING PRIMARILY ON NEWS REPORTS FROM DAMASCUS AND CAIRO. PRESS ALSO CARRIES FRONT-PAGE STORIES OF AMERICAN "WARNING" TO SOVIET UNION ABOUT FURNISHING ARMS TO ARABS WHILE AT SAME TIME CARRYING REPORT OUT OF NORFOLK, VIRGINIA THAT U.S. SUPPLYING ARMS TO ISRAEL. THUS FAR, HOWEVER, NO EDITORIAL COMMENT ON THESE REPORTS HAS BEEN FORTHCOMING.

2. IT STILL NOT CLEAR HOW MANY TUNISIAN SOLDIERS HAVE ACTUALLY DEPARTED FOR FRONT. MOST RELIABLE SOURCE INDICATES THAT BATTALION STATIONED AT LE KEF IN PROCESS OF BEING MOVED TO EGYPT. UNCERTAIN WHETHER TROOPS DEPARTING BY LAND OR AIR OR
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WHETHER ANY HAVE ACTUALLY LEFT TUNISIAN TERRITORY. WHILE

FIGURES VARY WITH SOME AS HIGH AS ONE THOUSAND, WE ESTIMATE
THAT THUS FAR ABOUT FOUR HUNDRED MEN ARE INVOLVED.
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